# Descriptive Summary

**Creator:** Iverson family.

**Title:** Iverson family papers, 1821-1928

**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 427

**Extent:** 1.25 linear ft. (3 boxes) ; 1 microfilm reel (MF)

**Abstract:** Papers of Iverson and Branham family of Georgia including Alfred Iverson (1798-1873), judge and U.S. legislator from Georgia and his son, Alfred Iverson (1829-1911), a brigadier general with the Army of the Confederate States.

**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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## Administrative Information

### Restrictions on Access

Unrestricted access.

### Terms Governing Use and Reproduction

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### Source

Gift, 1964.

### Citation

[after identification of item(s)], Iverson family papers, Manuscript, Archives and Rare Book Library, Emory University.

### Processing

Processed by MRD, March 1964.
Collection Description

Biographical Note
Alfred Iverson (1798-1873), judge and U.S. legislator (1846; 1855-1861) from Georgia, was born in Liberty County, Georgia. His first wife was Caroline Goode Holt (1803-1830) with whom he had a son, Alfred, and a daughter, Julia. Iverson's son, Alfred (1829-1911), became a brigadier general with the Army of the Confederate States. His second wife was Adela Branham, daughter of Dr. Joel Branham (b. 1777) and sister of Isham Richardson Branham (b. 1825) and Joel Branham (b. 1835), judge and Georgia legislator. Alfred Iverson Branham (1855-1945), son of Julia Iverson and Isham Richardson Branham, was an educator and manager of the American Book Company's Atlanta Office, and married Lucy Turner, daughter of Joseph Addison Turner of Turnwold Plantation near Eatonton, Georgia.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of the papers of the Iverson family from 1821-1928. The papers consist of correspondence, diaries, genealogical material, scrapbooks, printed materials, and memorabilia. Most correspondence is among family members and many letters document family history; some letters concern the American Book Company 1920-1930; one letter from Howell Cobb concerns Reverend William Flinn's church mission with the Confederate Army; diaries were kept by Reverend Flinn (whose descendant was related by marriage to a Branham family member) while a pastor in Milledgeville, Georgia (1854) and by Julia Iverson Branham (1891); genealogical information is on the Branham, Cooper, Goode, Holt, and Iverson families; five scrapbooks (originals) compiled by Walter T. Lawton document the life of General Alfred Iverson (b. 1829) and letters of John Stanley Brooks relating to a controversy regarding Iverson's brigade.
## Container List

### Microfilm

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<td>Alfred Iverson (1798-1873) letters written between March 14, 1830 and February 15, 1873, 21 letters</td>
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<td>Caroline Holt Iverson (1803-1830) letters written between July 6, 1821 and October 18, 1829, mainly to Alfred Iverson and concerned with personal and family affairs, their engagement, plans for the wedding, their children, and her attitude towards their life together, 13 letters</td>
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<td>Alfred Iverson Branham letters written between January 15, 1920 and March 7, 1930 concerned mainly with family history. An early letter was written by him while he was attending college at the University of Tennessee, September 28, 1872. Among the letters written to him are: 11 letters by other members of the Branham family including 2 letters and a brief diary (1891) by Julia Iverson Branham his mother; and letters by Judge Joel Branham (1835-192?) concerning family history. Among other letters to Alfred Branham are: 1 letter from Mrs. Julia Collier Harris, (Columbus Ga.); August 28, 1928. Clipped to it is a copy of a brief sketch by Joel Chandler Harris from the <em>Countryman</em> about Henry Branham and Dr. Joel Branham. 1 letter from J. K. Benjamin, editor, Ocala Star, Ocala, Fla.; September 28, 1923. 1 letter from Walter G. Cooper (Atlanta, Ga.); December 9, 1929 with appended notes on Genealogy of the Anthony Cooper - Clark families, 45 letters</td>
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<td>Howell Cobb (1815-1668) letter from Atlanta, Ga., to General Joseph E. Johnston (1807-1891); March 28, 1864, introducing Mr. Flinn as a &quot;superintendent of missionaries&quot; for his church in the Confederate Army</td>
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Genealogical materials-Iverson family
3 1 Genealogical information [photocopies]

Genealogical materials-Iverson homes
3 2 "The Folly": Printed material [photocopies]
3 3 "An [sic] Historical Guide to Clinton, Georgia, an Early Nineteenth Century County Seat" [photocopy]

Alfred Iverson, 1798-1873
3 4 Biographical information
3 5 Photograph: Daguerreotype [photocopied]

Alfred Holt Iverson, 1829-1911
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3 7 Photographs: Reproductions and photocopies
Birthplace in Clinton, Jones County, Georgia: Photographs and annotations [photocopies]

Civil War notebook [photocopy]

Notebook primarily contains poetry written during the Civil War.

Farewell address: "Respected auditory": Manuscript [photocopy]

Address: "Fellow soldiers of the Athens Guard": Manuscript [photocopy]

Military pension information [photocopy]

Death: Clippings [photocopies]

Iverson Gate, Atlanta General Depot, U.S. Army [photocopies]

Harriet Harris Hutchins Iverson [wife of Alfred Holt Iverson]

Photograph: Reproduction

Letters to Alfred Iverson, 1798-1873: 1860 [photocopies]

Julia Iverson Branham [sister of Alfred Holt Iverson]

Photograph: Reproduction and photocopy: Cabinet card

Julia Iverson Patton [daughter of Alfred Holt Iverson]

Biographical information [photocopy]

Charles H. Smith aka "Bill Arp" [brother-in-law of Harriet H. Iverson]

"I Remember" by Marian Caroline Smith [photocopy]

Thaddeus G. Holt [father of Alfred Iverson's, 1798-1873, first wife, Caroline Goode Holt]

Home: Printed material [photocopy]

John Forsyth [father of Alfred Iverson's, 1798-1873, second wife, Julia Forsyth]

Biographical information [photocopies]

Hutchins family

Genealogical information and other family information [photocopies]

Walter Terry Colquitt

Biographical information [photocopies]

[?] [mother of Elizabeth Cowles McCoy]

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Unidentified

Photographs: Photocopies